

New York Show Fronts...

By Don De Leighbur

LIONEL HAMPTON DISCUSSES ESQUIRE SELECTIONS, CHALLENGES WOODY HERMAN BAND TO BATTLE OF JAZZ

New York—Following publication of the Esquire All-American Jazz Band selections for 1946, a delegation of white and colored fans descended upon Lionel Hampton in his dressing room while he was playing an engagement at the Strand Theatre on Broadway. I had just been discussing with Hamp certain economic trends in the future of Negro musicians, when one of the bobby-soxers opened the conversation with the remark that they felt brought down because Hampton's band was not selected as the band of the year.

"We love and appreciate Duke Ellington," she said, "but everybody knows the band for kicks is yours, Lionel." She was a white girl. "The injustice was done when the critics allowed sentiment to get in the way of good and fair judgment in picking Duke Ellington and Woody Herman as the two most outstanding swing bands of the year."

"I believe those cats must be blind," put in a colored youth as he got Hampton's autograph on his autograph book. "I don't argue against their choice of Woody Herman; he undoubtedly is the greatest white swing crowd around when you're picking them for swing and good jazz; but Duke didn't get in your class this year, Lionel, and we all know it. That was shown in the broadcast from the radio theatre when Ellington and Herman were put together in what was really a battle of swing. I sure felt bad as Herman and his boys got the best of Duke. We all feel he did, because Duke just wasn't hitting while Herman, Chubby Jackson, Bill Harris and the others were riding like mad and jumping all the way."

"I sure wish your band had been up there against Woody Herman instead of Duke's," put in a colored girl of around 17 years of age. "I bet you'd make Woody fall off. After all, Lionel, Woody uses all your stuff; he even tries to use your riffs. He grabs everything in sight. But I bet you'd know what to do. Wouldn't you?"

Lionel shifted his position on the couch so he could talk. His valet was busy getting out Coca Colas from the ice-box for his guests.

"I'll outplay Woody Herman any day, any night, any time and any where," Lionel said in a matter-of-fact tone. "My boys really want some of him. We've been praying that someday or somewhere we could get Woody into a battle of music. He'll know what it means if he does get up against us."

Hampton then went on to elaborate. He felt deeply hurt that his band wasn't considered the top band of the year by the majority of the Esquire experts who made the selections of Herman and of Ellington. Incidentally, Count Basie, whose great jump crew today ranks with some of the bands he has had in the past, wasn't happy about it either. But Hampton was candid as he noted that his band rated top consideration if only for freshness of ideas, executions, and enthusiasm by his musicians.

"We created just as much as Ellington," Hampton declared. "By that I mean, we feature boogie-woogie and blues orchestrated and ride tunes. Our arrangements are as unusual and outstanding as those of any other band. That's why today my band is the most copied of all the swing crews. Even now, Woody Herman is trying to get another bass player so he can have two like we do. I think I am the first big band leader to put in two bass players to accentuate the rhythm section. Look at what we carry: five trumpets, five trombones, five saxes, piano, drums, guitar, two bass fiddles and vibraphone. In our rhythm section we have seven parts—the two bass fiddles, guitar, drums, piano, vibres and baritone sax. And look at our soloists: there's Arnett Cobb who plays as much if not more tenor sax than anybody else in the business. Then there's Herbie Fields, our great white alto sax player, who all critics agree is the top man. And there isn't a pianist in any band who can stand up to my Milton Buckner. There's the man for you. That guy plays what some folks call "arranger" chords and that's what makes such numbers as 'Hamp's Boogie Woogie' and 'Beulah Boogie' and others such solid tunes with so much rhythmic background. Every band with any kind of name is using riffs my band originates, including Woody Herman. We originate them—their copy 'em,—I mean Woody and all the others."

The audience in the dressing room became larger as publishers, song writers, musicians, fan and newspapermen started coming in. Hampton then stressed the fact that his one big desire for 1946 is to battle it out with Woody Herman and his Herd for musical supremacy.

"I'll meet him on Seventh Avenue or on Broadway at 1 or 4 o'clock in the morning. I'll take him on at noon, anywhere. I'll give every nickel of my end to charity, just to settle once and for all who has the greatest swing band," he concluded.

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A YOUTHFUL COLUMN Chatter-Box...

by DORIS ANN McGILL

HELLO?? Hello there, hey Information please give us the line we want to nip you in front so you won't be behind. So off with the latest gossip in production will let you keys in view this friendly introduction, Winis Gray should watch his step before he ends up footless!! hint (Second Lunch).

Well folks last week was another week of good news! We have lots to tell you so just sit tight! If you disapprove of anything I said just sit on it (smile)!

For the benefit of those who were not there last Thursday night, the style show was strictly all right... among those who we know were dressed—Lorraine Jackson modeling her tan suit with a brown draped turkish high hat and brown gloves, set off by her brown alligator shoes & bag to match... in the line of Sports, we find Isabelle Hall, modeling a sharp black suit of black and white check pants and a purple cordigan jacket trimmed in white... Along the beauty line we see Ruby Washington modeling a fine V-shape hair do!... If I must say so all looked great.

MISS FINE BEST



Johnnie Mae Burton

Well kids! as you all know that Johnnie is home! But will everyone remember that her second home is Omaha? She is 5 feet 4 1/2 inches and weighs about 115 lbs., Olive brown and Oh lots of fun! Johnnie lives in Hot Springs, Arkansas and will be home (2) soon... she likes all sports especially basketball and baseball! hey Bob Cats?

BOOM! Back in the Ritz last evening a gun went off!!! Boom and I guess you know what happened! Yes I didn't see the picture! Boy and my ears are yet ringing!

Fifth Warning! Well readers, Risky finally paid me! (about time isn't it?) and guess what? Well I won't say! Wait and see next week!

Central Hi Sweater Girls. Barbara Scott, Vivian Philips Sweet Lorraine, Kat Manley, C-Box and Mary Curren Tech Hi Sweater Girls: Cozie Eubanks, Fay Lee, Pearl Faulkner, Delores Jackson, Betty Stewart and Johnetta Williams.

Who was seen high and spinning like a top in the B. R. Sunday night? Naughty! naughty!... Girls watch your Public Conduct!

Jr. Taylor seems to have a stable of women... can't you make up your mind on one of them? We wonder!!

ATTENTION! What certain grils sit up at the lunch table at Central and talk about a certain girl whom they refuse to eat by? 3 guesses? (Captain Wing)!

Well Gang! Delores Gunthers left Sund' for home this time for sure... will be missed by many! Hey C.M.?

to whom it may concern: St. Valentine Day is just around the corner and all the gentlemen are suppose to give their girl friends presents... let's see how many gentlemen we have in Omaha! You said it... very few!

The Guide's phone number, Ha-0800!

KIDS! Stop getting mad! Get smart and read (Chatter Box weekly)!

Let's see how many Cats and Kittens we can see in Zion Baptist Church Sunday! Last week there wasn't a handful present! All at St. John; Hay J. C., Harry and Ben? Good Deal!

I'm sure we were all sorry to see Albert Beverly leave Friday... Especially Mrs. B. B!!

Correction about last week's column... the initials C. M. and B. W. were girls at Central so boys don't get your wires crossed... hint. Charlotte M. and Betty W.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY OF THE WEEK! Roy Marshall, Bert Avant, Fred Lee and Louise Perkins.

As I see it Posters are out for the Miss Antlered Guard Popularity Contest and Dance... Place, Elks Hall. Where? 24th and Lake Street; When? February 22nd. Admission of course dumb \$1.10 tax incl... time? 9 to 1 a.m.... Come one, come all... let's see who will be crowned Miss Omaha (other than my sis'?)

Nick-names of the Week: Mouseknees, Field Mouse, Barnyard, the Honey Dripper, Small Fry and Buttercup.

Believe it or not? John Faison the great has been to Sunday School for 2 weeks straight... Watch out everybody we're going to have bad weather.

I ONLY HEARD: If I had a dozen hearts... Jean Pierce I Wish... Tiny Foxall

Just a sittin' and a Rockin' Payton there must be a way Chicken I'll buy that Dream Marshall Love Letters Barbara Peters Along the Navajo Trail Donnie P. Just a little fond affection B. O. Sing your way home Walt Harris

Well Kids as you all know little Push didn't go, so now for a nice 3:19 write up! If you should happen to see a fellow about 5 ft. 4 1-2 inches, cold black hair, olive brown complexion, weight about 147 1-2, nice clothing... you know it's non other than our good friend Jack Marrior! I won't say he'll be leaving soon but he has his last notice from the??... you know what (smile) Jack above all likes Doris (girls)

Well what do you know!! Yes he did it again! I mean that boxer Bobbie Jean Bivens who fought last Monday... good deal Bob and keep up the good work.

Moss Pruitt, Robert Reynolds, Florentine Crawford, Baby Owens and Nadine Hancock, Lainey Nelson are nice couples.

since Tech plays Central the 15th, need I tell you who will win? Ha! ha! of course.

Service men of the week: Sonny Partridge, Virgil Mitchell nad Vellone Brown.

MOP! MOP! is it true that a certain D. S. at Tech is jealous of Haddie Williams? It seems as if she owns J. Russell! At least that's what she thinks!

So Clarence H. finally got in! (the Army of course) Miss by many!

CRASH! Why is it that Harold Johnson don't pick on somebody his own size. He also takes girls' ppaers away from them and doesn't give them back... hey Harold? Naughty boy... always in trouble!

It's great to see Polcat on time once again! What Central-lite wrote a letter to Boys-T. expressing her love for him? Could it be by any chance be W. M? (I Wonder?)

GIRLS when you meet a G.I. (smile)!

L. Brown is love-crazy over Raymond M! Wonder if he feels the same about her?

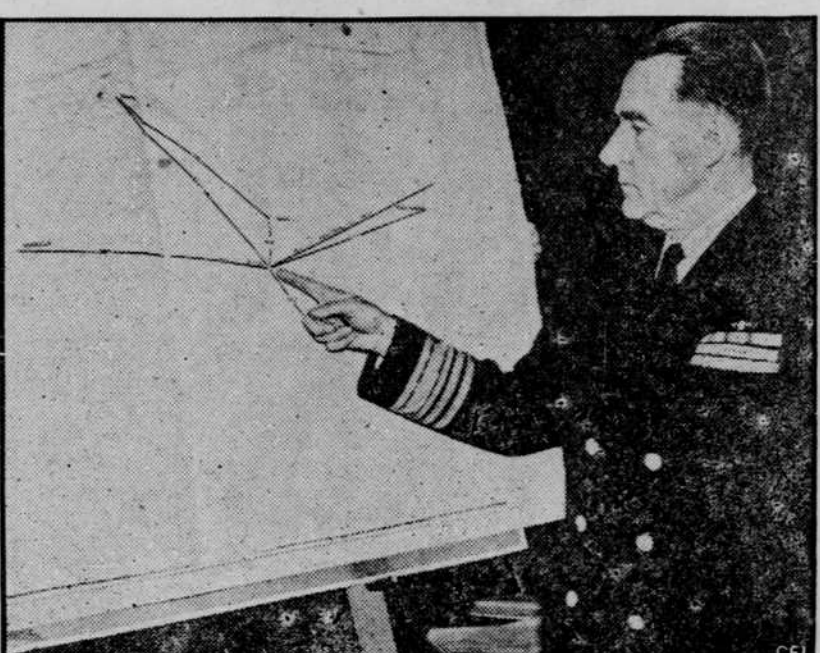
the Party given for Sonny P. last Sat. I heard was sharp! (I was a good girl and went straight home)! ha! ha!

Who is the certain girl who thinks she can win a man by using profanity in the presence of his family? Will she get him? or will she lose him? We will soon find out! Maybe yes! Maybe no!

Remember Raymond S. that honesty is the best policy after all and will carry you a longer way in the long run, than a whole pack of unasked for lies, because everybody today is not a fool... just because you happen to know a few.

GUESS WHO? Age 15; Weight 112; Height 5 ft. 4 1-2 inches; Eyes, brown; hair, black; Hangout, Home, Church and Coz's House; Complexion, light brown; Phone, JA-7562; Pep Peeve, Ugly Boys; Last week's guess who was Doris McGill.

In closing always remember: that in life one will find that a woman's guess is much more accurate than a man's certainty! 'til then, until next week, DOT.



SITE OF A- MOMB TESTS

Washington, D. C.—Soundphoto Admiral H. P. Blandy, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations for Special Weapons, revealed the site of atomic bomb tests as Bikini Atoll, one of the northernmost of the Marshall Islands A guinea-pig fleet of 97 vessels, ranging from carriers and battleships to submarines and transports will be the atom bomb target in the vast operation to start in May. The photo shows Adm. Wm. H. P. Blandy indicating the atom test area as he appeared before the Senate Committee on atom energy.

The Waiter's Column

By H. W. Smith

Ross Fountain, one of Uncle Sam's over seas boys on the job at the O. A. C.

Omaha Club waiters with Capt. Earl Jones topping the service with a smile.

Musicians, head waiter and wide awake crew at the Omaha Chamber of Commerce Very much on the ball.

Blackstone Hotel waiters right in there!

Regis Hotel and White Horse Inn waiters quick stepping constantly. Fontenelle Hotel waiters holding



The Week

By H. W. Smith HA 0800

Rabbi Arthur Lelyweid of San Francisco, says Jews will continue to quit Europe and enter Palestine.

The Ground hog looked at his shadow in Omaha as the sun was shining Feb. 2nd.

Four young persons were killed in an automobile accident early Saturday morning Feb. 2nd.

James A. Penny, an ex-Marine was found dead in an auto Sat. morning, Feb. 2, in Omaha.

Joe Louis arrived in New York on Friday, Feb. 1 and he announced he would leave for Los Angeles in two weeks to start his training for the fight with Billy Conn.

President Truman says that W. Averill Harriman has been trying to quit the job as Ambassador to Morocco.

Lady Astor wants women to do more in public affairs.

US Senator Wherry of Nebr. threatened to head an effort to silence a filibuster on the FEPC bill in the US Senate on Monday Feb. 4.

Congress Hotel in Chicago had four mysterious fires on Sunday Feb. 3. Chief of Detectives ordered guards posted in the hotel.

A Chicago dress shoppe lost ten thousand dollars' worth of goods sometimes during Feb. 3 and 4.

Thirteen persons lost their lives in a fire in Cleveland, Ohio Sunday, Feb. 3.

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United States of America, Petitioner, vs. A certain parcel of land in the County of Douglas, State of Nebraska, et al., Respondents.

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To: Victory Holding Company, a corporation, Cecelia W. Jewell, more particularly described as follows: Fronting approximately 46 feet on the easterly side of North 24th St., and extending of that width in an easterly direction between the southerly side of Grant Street and the northerly boundary of Lot 10, said Block 1, a distance of approximately 130 feet; being known as Premises 2221-25 North 24th Street, Omaha, Nebraska; together with the building and other improvements thereon. You are further notified that the court has appointed a board of appraisers to meet at the premises, hereinabove described, for the purpose of viewing and appraising said property and for determining the compensation to be and owing to each of the persons who are the owners of, or who have an interest in said property, or any part thereof. That said board of appraisers will meet at said premises at 10:00 o'clock A. M. on the 19th day of February 1946, to inspect the property involved, to appraise the same, and to assess the compensation due by reason of the taking and condemnation of said property by the petitioner. Thereafter, the board of appraisers may adjourn to an appropriate place for hearing of any evidence to be submitted. You, and each of you, may appear at the time and place designated, or at the time and place to which said board of appraisers may adjourn, and present evidence as to your interest in the property involved and the just compensation due you. This proceeding, as provided for by law, and a petition for an amended petition in condemnation are on file in the office of the clerk of the United States District Court at Omaha, Nebraska, and the details of said condemnation are set forth in said petition and said amended petition which, by reference, are made a part of this notice. Dated this 16th day of January, 1946.

MARY A. MULLEN, Clerk United States District Court, District of Nebraska.

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